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Note verbale dated 8 August 2000 from the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the Chairman of the Committee

The Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1132 (1997) concerning Sierra Leone, and with reference to his notes dated 10 July 2000, has the honour to communicate the following regarding the implementation of Security Council resolution 1306 (2000) of 5 July 2000.

The Permanent Mission of Ukraine wishes to inform the Chairman of the Committee that the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine is currently in the process of finalizing the relevant constitutional procedures necessary for the adoption of a decree which provides for the implementation of Council resolution 1306 (2000). Pending the adoption of the said decree, the relevant ministries and agencies of the Government of Ukraine have been instructed to take all necessary steps to prevent any direct or indirect import of all rough diamonds from Sierra Leone to the territory of Ukraine.

With reference to the provisions of paragraph 17 of Council resolution 1306 (2000), the Permanent Mission of Ukraine wishes to advise the Chairman of the Committee that article 228[6] of the Criminal Code of Ukraine, entitled "Illegal export from Ukraine of raw materials, materials and equipment for the manufacture of weapons as well as military and special equipment", provides that violations of the established regime of export of the above items are punishable by imprisonment for up to eight years, with confiscation of property.

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